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### BRITISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

#### WHAT THE POLITICIANS ARE SAYING.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, November 22.  
Much applause is forthcoming for speakers of all shades of opinion at well-attended meetings throughout the country.  
Mr. J. R. Clynes, speaking at Manchester, said nothing had set class against class more than the present election.  
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, at Aberavon, said it was fallacy to talk of Imperial Preference while there was as big a duty against our goods going into the Dominions as to some going on the Continent.  
Mr. Arthur Henderson, at Newcastle, denounced a tariff war when the paramount necessity was the establishment of international order founded on goodwill.  
Sir Robert Horne, at Glasgow, imagined that the public's belief in the sincerity of Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George was strained when it saw them embracing and singing "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden." When Labour had been in power a week, nobody would want to go to Heaven (laughter).  
Sir Walter Runciman, at Brighton, said tariffs would not help the principal industries of shipbuilding, coal and textiles and could in no wise benefit more than 140,000 out of the 1,500,000 unemployed.

### STRESEMANN DEFENDS HIS POLICY.

#### GERMANY IN DANGER OF BLEEDING TO DEATH.

Berlin, November 22.  
A large force of police guarded every entrance to the Reichstag on the resumption of the debate of November 20th. Herr Stresemann dwelt on the hopelessness of the situation so long as Germany was in danger of bleeding to death from the wounds of the Rhine and Ruhr. He declared that he would not consent to see German payments go to France's cashbook. "We have reached the end of our financial capacity." He announced the removal of the state of emergency from a number of districts, and declared that foreign financiers had offered the German Government credit for at least a milliard gold marks, provided the present Government remained in power. The speech was loudly applauded by the majority of deputies.  
The debate was adjourned until tomorrow when the German National's vote of censure will be taken.

### LONDON AND PROTECTION.

#### THE CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATES.

London, November 22.  
The City of London attitude towards protection was defined by Lord Hunsdon presiding at a crowded meeting of the City Conservative Association, which adopted Sir F. G. Banbury and Mr. Edward Grenfell as candidates. Lord Hunsdon said the view of the City was that protection was not a question of principle but of expediency. The City would like protective duties to be considered first with regard to the industries affected, also generally with regard to prevalent conditions. Lord Hunsdon was of opinion that one of the contributory causes of unemployment was the high death duties and super-tax. Sir F. Banbury declared that Mr. Baldwin's proposals were identical with those of Mr. Lloyd George in 1912. No Liberal candidature has hitherto been mentioned.

### BELGIAN-JAPANESE TRADE.

Brussels, November 22.  
A central committee of business men gave a reception to a mission of enquiry shortly going to Japan. The president of the committee, M. Jules Carlier, in a speech expressed Belgium's sympathy with Japan. Canon Legrand, head of the mission, discoursed on the necessity for developing reciprocal economic relations, and predicted that Japan will quickly recover. The Japanese Ambassador Adachi, in a brilliant speech, congratulated the mission.

### IMPERIAL INSTITUTE'S FUTURE.

London, November 22.  
The virtual disappearance of the Imperial Institute is foreshadowed in the report of the Committee enquiring into its future status in view of the withdrawal of overseas contributions. The report recommends that most of its functions be transferred to other agencies, the Institute being continued only as a clearing-house for intelligence information and be merged with the Mineral Resources Bureau.

### U.S. AIR FORCE INADEQUATE.

New York, November 22.  
General Patrick, Chief of the Army Air Service, in his annual report declares that the United States Air Force is totally inadequate. He urges an immediate increase of the personnel, complete reconstruction of the war-time aerodromes, replacement of obsolete machines and research development for the advancement of commercial aviation.

### THE PRICE OF SILVER.

London, November 22.  
Reporting on silver, Mocattas state the highest price of the year, thirty-three and five eighths, was reached on Monday coinciding with the lowest sterling dollar exchange. With the recovery of the latter, selling from India and China has relaxed to thirty-two and fifteen sixteenths, at which the market is steady.

### MOST POWERFUL MOTOR-SHIP.

London, November 22.  
The Union Castle Company has ordered the largest and most powerful motor-ship in the world for the South African mail service. It is over twenty thousand tons gross, and equipped with two sets of double-acting eight-cylinder Diesel engines, developing a minimum of twenty thousand I.H.P.

### WAR ON U.S. LIQUOR SMUGGLERS.

New York, November 22.  
It is stated that over a hundred defendants are under indictment, charged with liquor smuggling. The federal prosecuting officers announce their intention to arrest several well-known figures, as well as Americans on the same charge.

### MILITARY WEDDING.

#### GOVERNOR'S A.D.C. MARRIES MISS DENISON.

Great interest centred in the wedding, which took place this afternoon in St. John's Cathedral, of Captain Evan Cameron Cross, of the King's Regiment, and Miss Yvonne Denison. The bridegroom, who is the only son of the late Mr. W. E. Cross, of Risco, and of Mrs. Cross, of Edinburgh, is at present acting as A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, and is a well-known and popular officer, whilst the bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Denison, old and highly-esteemed residents of the Colony. There was a very large gathering at the Cathedral to witness the ceremony, including His Excellency the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.), Sir Edward Major General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., and Lady Severn, Commodore and Mrs. H. E. Grace, Col. W. A. Blake, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, C.M.G., D.S.O., many of the bridegroom's brother officers, as well as leading residents of the Colony.

The wedding was thoroughly military in character, and the music was supplied by the regimental band of the 2nd Bn. King's Regiment under Bandmaster Hemley, whilst at the conclusion of the ceremony the bride couple passed out of the Cathedral under an arch formed of the words of the bridegroom's brother officers.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked altogether charming in a gown of white georgette beaded with silver, her train being of Brussels lace and her veil of white tulle. She had as her bridesmaids Miss Beryl Arthur and Miss King, whose dresses were of white georgette and who wore wreaths of pink roses and carried baskets of pink roses adorned with silver ribbon. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. J. Northcote, C.F., whilst Lieut. C. P. Moore, M.C., of the King's Regiment, was "best man."

Subsequent to the wedding a largely-attended reception was held at Government House, and later Capt. and Mrs. Cross left for their honeymoon, the bride's going-away dress being of green crepe de chine trimmed with green lace. She also wore a black toque with flowers.

### EARTHQUAKE SEQUEL.

#### CHINA MAY DEMAND INDEMNITY.

Peking, Nov. 21.  
A Chingling mandate issued last evening appointed Mr. C. T. Wang, Chen Chieh-chen and Liu Yen as special delegates to investigate the alleged injuries to Chinese in Japan during the earthquake period.

Peking, Nov. 22.  
Mr. C. T. Wang will proceed to Japan on the 25th inst., probably staying a day at Mukden en route.

According to the Chingpao, Dr. Wellington Koo brought the matter of the alleged ill-treatment of Chinese to the attention of Mr. Yoshizawa, indicating that if investigations prove that the reports are correct, China will expect the guilty parties to be severely punished and also an indemnity. Daily Bulletin.

### MADAME CURIE GETS NATIONAL REWARD.

Paris, November 22.  
The Government has tabled a Bill granting Madame Curie a pension of forty thousand francs as a national reward on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the discovery of radium.

### AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING FIRM FINED.

Sydney, November 22.  
A shipping firm has been fined £800 for allowing eight Chinese prohibited immigrants to land.

### A NEW BISHOP.

London, November 22.  
The Rev. Cyril Barbeley has been appointed to the Bishopric of Peterborough. (Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

### BRUTAL ATTACK.

#### A YAU MATI SENSATION.

Trouble occurred in the home of a ship's steward at Temple Street, Yau-mati, early yesterday morning.

Before the locality was astir, screams from the house, accompanied by cries of "Save life!", brought the neighbours and several police constables on to the premises. They found a woman and a girl lying unconscious in their room, with blood flowing freely from a number of wounds, and the husband no less seriously injured, but still retaining sufficient consciousness to relate what had occurred.

He said that he and his family were the victims of a savage attack by a man who had stayed with them for the last two days. This man, who was known to the victim, had represented that he was out of employment and was offered the hospitality of his house. Between four and five o'clock in the morning, the steward woke up from sleep to find the man standing over him with an axe. Several blows had been inflicted with the weapon before the steward was able to scramble from his bed. He escaped on to the verandah and his cries brought a number of people to his assistance.

Before this, the man's wife and their fourteen-year-old daughter had also fallen victims to the attack. Terrible injuries were inflicted on them, from which they are not expected to recover.

The alleged assailant, in endeavouring to make his escape by the staircase, found his way barred and was eventually secured after a struggle. The blood-stained axe was also recovered.

On the arrival of the police, an ambulance was requisitioned to take the victims to the Kwong Wah Hospital. Later the three victims were taken to the Government Civil Hospital. Dying dispositions were taken this morning by the Magistrate.

Very little is definitely known regarding the motive of the attack, and the police do not think that robbery was intended.

### FOOTBALL.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. in their League matches on Saturday:

1st Division v. Hongkong Club: Stewart, Wheeler, Knight, H. Wheeler, McKelvie, Pascoe, Leonard, Millard, Morton, Duncan and Mason.

2nd Division v. South China: "A" Beach; Guest, Urquhart, A. W. Brown, Randle, Taylor, Hast, W. H. Brown, Spary, Walls and Rasmussen. Reserves: Vickers and Haylock.

### MODEL FAMILY AT SCHOOL.

Sir William Clegg, on behalf of the Sheffield Education Committee, publicly congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Newton on the remarkable school attendance record of their six children. During the whole of their scholastic careers, ranging from ten to eight years, all six children made perfect attendances, not missing one school day or once being late.

### TO ATTACK CANTON.

#### GEN. CHAN GETTING READY.

#### PLIGHT OF THE POPULACE.

So far from General Chan King-ming having evacuated Sheklung, it is now reported that he has greatly strengthened his defence lines there and on to as far as Shektan, in readiness to battle with Dr. Sun's forces.

A further report states that a detachment of General Lum Foo's troops from the right wing is moving from Chum Fa and Fa Hsun in the direction of Canton.

It is also stated that General Chan arrived at Sheklung on the evening of the 21st from Waichow and held an important military conference. The subjects discussed were, it is said, the tactics to be adopted in attacking Canton and the administration of affairs after the city has been captured.

Latest reports indicate that the Canton Government is taking even stronger measures to secure funds with which to meet the demands of the various military forces. The pawnbrokers are being forced to pay their taxes in advance up to 1927, whilst tenants who have not already paid a month's rent in advance are being arrested and held until payment is made. Moreover, landlords who have produced legal title deeds to prove that they own property, are being compelled to pay a certain fee before the deeds are returned. Some of the landlords have had their deeds photographed and sent in the copies to the Government, but these are not recognised.

At present the poorer class inhabitants are experiencing very hard times. A dollar will now only buy nine or ten cabbages of rice, whilst only thirty cabbages of firewood can be secured for the same amount.

### LOTTERIES FROM BELGIUM.

#### A WARNING TO HONGKONG.

News concerning a matter that has come under official notice in China, in that it affects quite a number of persons resident in this country and Hongkong, has been communicated to the Telegraph for the information of those concerned. This is that the "British Sporting Club," an organisation at Wendenyue and Blankenberge in Belgium formed for the purpose of running lotteries and sweeps in connection with certain sporting events in England, has come under the official ban of reason of its contravention of the Belgian law which expressly forbids the existence of gambling institutions. Certain funds have been seized, and, as far as is possible the amounts will be remitted to the subscribers, quite a number of whom are resident in Hongkong and China.

Following is a translation of an official letter addressed to M. Kremer, the Consular representative of Belgium in Hongkong, from the Belgian Legation at Peking:—"Mr. Consul—I have the honour to inform you that a judiciary order is open against 'The British Sporting Club' established at Wendenyue and Blankenberge in Belgium. This association organises certain lotteries (i.e. sweeps) on horse-races, with is in contravention, in a way, of the Belgian laws.

"In order to prevent new remittances I shall be grateful by your giving this fact, through the Press or otherwise, all possible publicity.

"I add that the money sent for the racing events Manchester November Stakes of the 24th November and Cambridgeshire Stakes of the 24th October has been seized. It will be restituted to the senders."—ROBERT BRETHER.

### DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN ENGINEER.

#### MR. JOHN LENNOX PASSES AWAY AT HOME.

We regret to have to record the death of Mr. John Lennox, which took place at Home yesterday. The sad news was received in Hongkong this morning by Mr. Lennox's son-in-law, Mr. F.F. Duckworth, of the Hongkong Electric Co. Mr. Lennox was about 68 years of age. During his long residence in the East—more than thirty years—his sterling character and kindly disposition made him many friends, who will all feel his loss very keenly. Mr. Lennox leaves a daughter in Hongkong, the wife of Mr. F.F. Duckworth.

Mr. Lennox's time in the East was spent in the service of the China Navigation Company, which he joined, as second engineer of one of their Australian Line steamers, in 1886. He was promoted chief engineer shortly after this and in 1901 was appointed to the shore staff at Shanghai, as Assistant Superintendent Engineer. After remaining at the northern port some seven years, Mr. Lennox was transferred to Hongkong, remaining here until 1915. In that year Mr. Lennox went Home on leave for a few months, returning to the East the following year to take up the post of Superintendent Engineer, at Bombay, to supervise the large number of vessels belonging to the Company which were engaged on transport service during the war. Since the war, Mr. Lennox has been engaged as supervisor in connection with the construction of new vessels for the Company in the yards at Home. He paid a visit to Hongkong last winter to see his daughter, Mrs. Duckworth, returning Home in April last. At the time of his death Mr. Lennox was retired and living in Scotland.

Mr. Lennox was a prominent member of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, whilst in Hongkong, and during the war, in spite of his years, he pluckily joined the Engineers Company of the Defence Corps, being put on searchlight duty.

### CRICKET.

The following will represent the I.R.C. 2nd XI in their League match against the C.R.C. 2nd XI on the former's ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m.:—D. Rumjahn, Sirdar Khan, E. A. Moosdeen, M. P. Madar, E. Hassan, O. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, A. H. M. Samy, Y. A. Wahab, R. Nazarin and M. Sadick.

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Humidity 2 p.m. 70  
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Water 2.55 p.m.  
Lighting Up-Time 5.33 p.m.

### NEWS IN THE ADS.

Members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club should note that the "Jasper Clark" Challenge Cup will be played for at Fanling on Sunday, December 2nd.—Page 4.

A well furnished flat is to let on Shumee.—Page 4.

The Hongkong Male Voice Choir will render selections, supported by several well known local artists, at the Cathedral Hall at 9.15 p.m. on the 27th inst.—Page 4.

There will be no public performance at the Grand Theatre to-night.—Page 12.



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We have received a copy of the  
prospectus of the Central British  
School (formerly known as the  
Kowloon British School) for 1923-4.  
It runs to 43 pages and contains  
much interesting information for  
parents and students. A fine  
photograph of the School appear-  
ing as a frontispiece, followed by  
the School Song in appropriate  
words verse by Gladys Jackson  
the music being by Dr. John  
Fenton.

From a page of general informa-  
tion we gather that the School, to  
boys and girls of British parentage,  
was opened by Major General  
Sir William Julius Gascoigne  
on 19th April, 1902, the  
building having been erected and  
presented to the Government by  
Sir Robert Ho Tung. The first  
Headmaster was Mr. B. James, B.  
A., succeeded by Mrs. Main a  
Headmistress. The present Head-  
master, Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale,  
was appointed in October, 1919.  
In February, 1921, owing to the  
great increase in the number of  
children attending the School, the  
Junior Section, consisting of 10  
boys and girls, was transferred to  
the Army School building at Gun  
Club Hill. It is proposed to open a  
Physics Laboratory next month  
at the Chemical Laboratory in 1924.

The prospectus gives a list of  
teachers, scholarships and prizes,  
and sports and games indulged in  
by the children. A page is devoted  
to the Kowloon British School For-  
mer Pupils' Association and the  
syllabus is set out at length. In  
addition, the rules for the School  
are published and information  
given regarding scholarships and  
class prizes.

GIRLS KIDNAPPED.

WOMAN JAILED FOR A  
YEAR.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at  
the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon  
a woman named Cheng Kien was  
charged with receiving a harboured  
at Victoria Harbour on the 12th  
inst. two unmarried girls aged 15  
and 16, without the consent of  
their guardians. Defendant pleaded  
guilty in respect of the older girl.

Mr. A. E. Wood, of the  
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs,  
presented. He stated that on the  
arrival of the S.S. Sui An from  
Macao on the 12th, a Chinese  
detective went on board in the  
course of his duty. He found the  
defendant standing with the two  
girls and his suspicions were  
aroused when one of the girls sud-  
denly burst into tears and called  
out that she had been kidnapped by  
the defendant. The defendant  
and her protégées were taken ashore  
and the former was eventually  
charged after due investigation had  
been made by the police.

After hearing the evidence the  
Magistrate sentenced the defendant  
to one year's hard labour, six  
months in respect of each girl.

CHINA'S FANDITS.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY  
CAPTURED.

Peking, Nov. 22.—Dr. E. W.  
Schmalzried, who was captured by  
brigands on the Kweichow-Hunan  
border, belonged to Tungien. The  
American Charge d'Affaires has  
addressed a note to the Waichiao  
protesting against the failure of the  
authorities to protect the mis-  
sionaries in the interior and asking  
the Government to communicate  
with the provincial authorities re-  
questing that every possible measure  
be taken to secure Dr. Schmalzried's  
release and also to protect the  
other missionaries in Tungien.  
Reuter.

EARTHQUAKE HERO.

CAPT. A. J. KONINGS GETS  
AWARD.

Captain A. J. Konings, Master of  
the S.S. Iris, belonging to Messrs.  
Petroleum Maatschappij "La  
Jorona," of which the Asiatic  
Petroleum Co. (South China), Ltd.,  
is the local agents, has been award-  
ed the Cross of Merit by the  
Netherlands Red Cross. This dis-  
tinction has been conferred upon  
Captain Konings for meritorious  
service performed subsequent to  
the great catastrophe at Yokohama  
on the 1st September last when  
the S.S. Empress of Australia with  
several thousand refugees on  
board, was unable to clear the har-  
bour owing to her Port propeller  
being fouled by another ship's  
anchor and chain cable. The Em-  
press of Australia in the first in-  
stance was towed away from the  
harbour by the Steel Navigator close  
to the entrance of the breakwater  
when the former was able with  
great difficulty and extraordinary  
manoeuvring to steam outside and  
anchored close to the Iris. After  
a short time Yokohama Harbour  
with its burning lighters adrift and  
stitches of floating oil on fire, be-  
came a serious menace to the Em-  
press of Australia and the thou-  
sands of lives on board, and it was  
imperative that she should be moved  
as soon as possible from her  
precarious position. Captain Kon-  
ings was appealed to and at once  
assisted the Empress of Australia  
to a safe anchorage. The Iris was  
laden with a highly inflammable  
cargo of about 3,000 tons motor  
spirit, and 2,000 tons kerosene in  
bulk, but Captain Konings, fully  
realising the extreme risk he was  
taking, did not hesitate in im-  
mediately bringing his vessel to  
the aid of the huge liner and suc-  
ceeded in towing her to a safe  
anchorage at Homoku buoy outside  
the breakwater at 11.30, after about  
5 hours of an exceedingly anxious  
and difficult time.

The Iris was also one of the  
vessels which rendered humane  
service with her life boats in bring-  
ing refugees from shore to the  
number of about 150, quite a few  
of whom were picked up floating  
in the harbour.

FAR EAST STAMPS.

The King's Exhibits.

In accordance with annual  
custom, stamps from the King's  
collection was exhibited last  
month at the first meeting this  
season of the Royal Philatelic  
Society.

A Home paper states: The  
King's exhibits this year will con-  
sist of stamps of the Straits Set-  
tlements, and a paper on them  
will be read by Mr. E. D. Bacon,  
curator of the Royal collection.  
Of late there has been among  
philatelists a marked revival of  
interest in the postal issues of the  
Far East generally, and of the  
Malay Peninsula in par-  
ticular. This section of the  
King's collection has been recent-  
ly re-arranged and considerably  
augmented.

When the administration of the  
Straits Settlements was transfer-  
red from the Hon. East India  
Company to the Colonial office on  
April 1 1867, the East Indian  
postage stamps previously in use  
there were provisionally over-  
printed with the device of a crown  
and surcharged with new values  
in "cents" currency. The next  
years, 1868, saw the introduction  
of a distinctive series of postage  
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EARTHQUAKE IN  
SHANSI.

Shanghai, Nov. 22.—The vernac-  
ular press reports an earthquake at  
Kolan, Shansi, on the 13th, causing  
the collapse of several buildings.  
Fifteen hundred casualties are  
reported.—Reuter.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FRENCH ACTION BLOCKED.

New York, Nov. 22.  
The report of United States Ambassador Herrick at Paris to  
Secretary Hughes in regard to the meeting of the Conference of  
Ambassadors on Monday is understood to state that Lord Crewe de-  
clared that Britain hoped that France would give weight fully to the  
serious results of further separate action, which might imperil the  
existence of the Entente. If the French carried out such a policy of  
defiance of British wishes, Great Britain might be inclined to with-  
draw its representatives from all inter-Allied bodies such as the  
Conference of Ambassadors and the Military Control Commission.  
The Italian representative strongly supported the British attitude.  
The Belgian Ambassador declared he could not, without further refer-  
ence to Brussels, commit Belgium to co-operation with France in fur-  
ther territorial sanctions. The Ambassadors considered this to mean  
that Belgium was decided not to co-operate if Britain and Italy were  
determined in a formal rupture should France not yield. M. Cam-  
bon then made the first important concession, declaring that France  
did not intend to take territorial sanctions. A draft of a Note on  
those lines as asked by Britain was then completed in two hours and  
approved by Premier Poincare.

Premier Baldwin and Lord Curzon on Tuesday objected to  
certain phrases as committing Britain too far to ultimate sanctions  
if Germany defied or ignored remonstrances. M. Poincare accepted  
these amendments yesterday.

DEFAUDING THE PUBLIC.

Fortworth, Texas, Nov. 22.  
Dr. Cook, the former Polar explorer, has been convicted of using  
mails with the object of defrauding the investing public. He was  
sentenced to 14 years and nine months' imprisonment and a fine of  
twelve thousand dollars.  
Judge Killitts scathingly denounced Dr. Cook and declared ironical-  
ly that the twentieth century ought to be proud him. He said: "His-  
tory gave us Ananias and Sapphira; they are forgotten, but we still  
have Dr. Cook." His thirteen co-defendants' sentences ranged from  
one to eight years' imprisonment with fines of from five hundred to  
twelve thousand dollars.

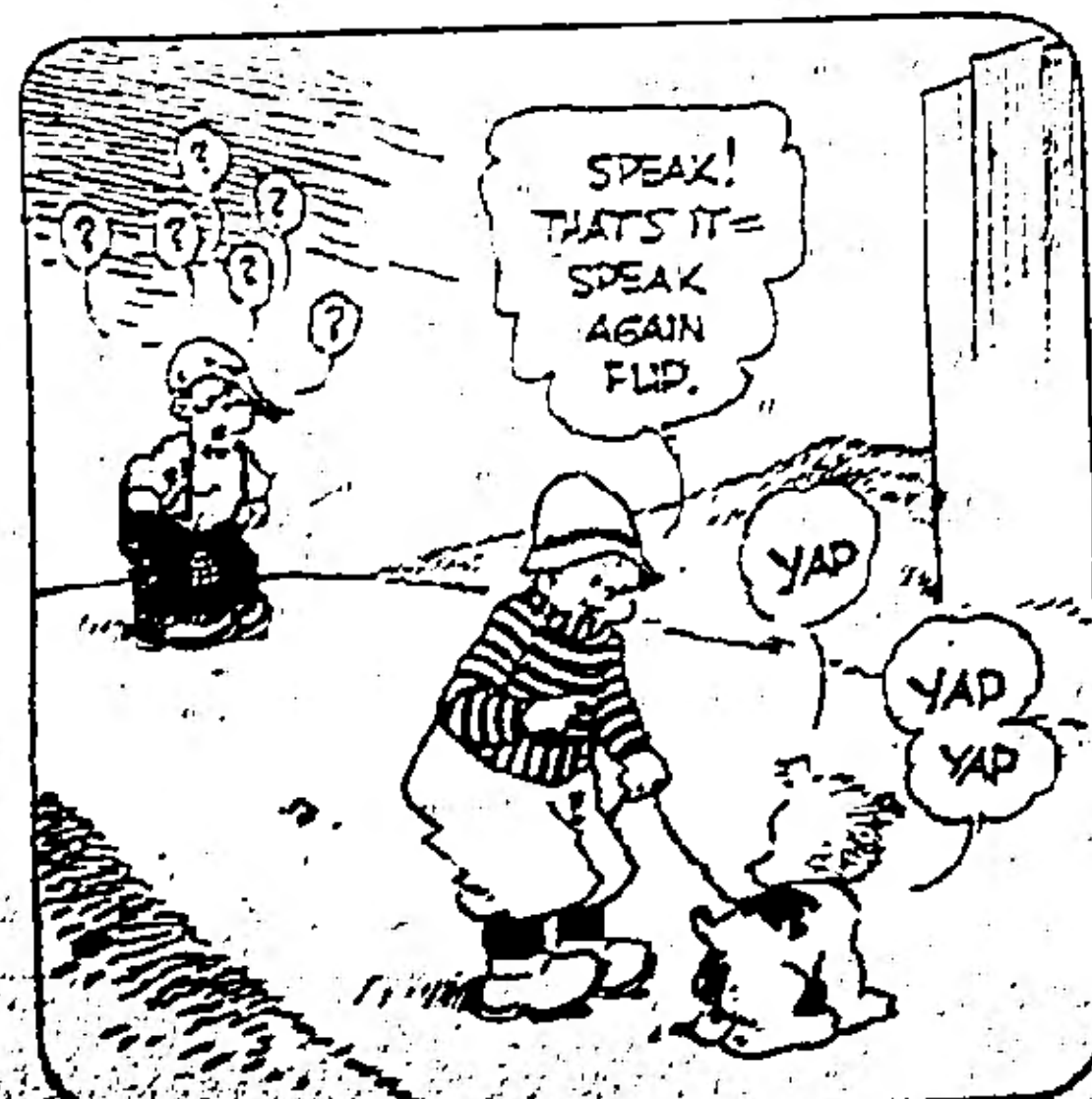
OBITUARY.

London, Nov. 22.  
The death is reported of Sir Pelham Laird Warren, G.C.M.G.,  
who had a long career in the consular service in China.  
[Sir Pelham Laird Warren was born in 1845. He was the son  
of Admiral Richard Laird Warren. He entered his service  
in China in 1867 as student interpreter. In 1883 he was Vice-Consul  
at Pagoda Island; in 1883-1884, and in 1885 Acting Consul at Taiwan.  
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**MOUNT EVEREST.****Gen. Bruce's Account Published.**

"The Assault on Mount Everest" is the title of a newly-issued book by Brigadier-General the Hon. C. Y. Bruce and other members of his Everest expedition.

This account of the attempt to reach the top of Mount Everest may be regarded as the second volume of a trilogy of which the third should be entitled "The Conquest." The first volume, "The Reconnaissance," described how the party led by Colonel Howard-Bury in 1921 found out exactly where Mount Everest was, how they satisfied themselves that there was a route to the summit which offered no obviously insuperable obstacles to expert climbers, and how they came to recommend certain methods and devices for overcoming the peculiar difficulties of the country and the climate. The second expedition, led in 1922 by General Bruce, profited by the information acquired to climb to the greatest height yet attained on any mountain: of 29,000ft. 1,700ft.—the height of Dunkery Beacon—remain unscaled, but we get the impression that there is so much further assistance to be derived from oxygen, with which the party were experimenting, that given favourable conditions the top should be reached at the next assault.

There were twelve other Englishmen in the expedition led by General Bruce; Colonel E. L. Strutt, second-in-command; Dr. Longstaff, doctor and naturalist; Captain Noel, official photographer; Captain C. G. Morris, Mr. C. G. Crawford, and Captain J. G. Bruce, transport officer; and Captain G. Finch, expert in charge of the oxygen apparatus; the last three together with Mr. Mallory, Dr. Somervell, Dr. Wakefield, Major Norton, and Major Morshead were specially climbers, and with them must be included the Gurka, Lancesnik Tejbir Bura. The book is put forward on the lines of its predecessor; Sir F. Young-husband contributes an introduction; General Bruce, a general narrative of the expedition; Dr. Somervell, notes on acclimatization, colour in Tibet, and Tibetan culture; and Dr. Longstaff, a paper on natural history. The course of the journey to Everest and the conditions of the ascent are elucidated by maps and by photographs which reach the standard of beauty and clearness previously attained by the Everest Committee. Of the three formal attempts to reach the top the first and the disastrous third are described by Mr. Mallory, and the second—the attempt with oxygen—by Captain Finch.

**STRATEGY AND PLANS.**

From the reception accorded to the expedition it is clear that General Bruce, who was responsible for the strategy, did his part. How does one placate a Dzongpen? One gives him a Homburg hat! How does one convince a Lama that to climb 29,000ft. is a natural proceeding? One calls it a pilgrimage; and while one is about it, as the butter of ceremonial hospitality is rancid, one mentions a vow not to touch butter until the summit has been attained. All these things General Bruce did, and he brought a caravan comprising some 200 yaks to his base camp at the earliest date that the Tibetan winter allowed. There appears to be nothing in Everest to daunt experienced climbers, if height and distance were on the Alpine scale. The top is hard to reach because the wind is strong and of course cold, and because the air is thin. The reader will infer multiplicity of camps, the complicated organization required to establish and maintain them, and slow progress. Without oxygen 400ft. an hour was good going. The climber therefore has to be acclimatized, and trained to exert himself to the utmost. Moreover, it is now clear that the conditions differ so widely from the Alpine that until the first have been mastered a wide margin of safety must be allowed. The last attempt resulted in the death of seven porters. On snow moistened by the monsoon they were overwhelmed by an avalanche. The English climbers were swept down also but escaped unhurt. Those in charge were neither rash nor ignorant of the effect of wet wind.

In the second attempt Captain Finch and Captain Bruce reached a height of 27,300ft. As Captain Finch tells the story the issue was fought out less between men and mountain than between wind and oxygen. The party was stormbound on the edge of a precipice for thirty-six hours

literally holding on to their tent for their lives. That half-starved and exhausted by exposure that was not implicit in the undertaking, they struggled nevertheless to within half a mile of the summit on the following day justifies all that Captain Finch claims for his oxygen.

**THEIR STRUGGLE.**

These claims if substantiated may make the first ascent the last great climb in the old style. If so, it is worthily described by Mr. Mallory, who brings home to the reader something more than the physical struggle. He has a passage on the vigil which recalls Whympet at his most suggestive. He was accompanied by Major Norton, Dr. Somervell, and Major Morshead. The conditions were less unfavourable, and without oxygen they made their way at a definitely slower rate than Captain Finch to a height of 26,935ft. There was a struggle between men and mountain, and they were so exhausted on reaching camp that Mr. Mallory was calling Major Morshead, Longstaff. Vivid as Mr. Mallory's account is there is one feat of which he does not make enough. The party were very tired and a little careless from fatigue; number three on the rope slipped, four was jerked from his foothold, and two followed; in a moment the three were gathering speed on a slope where nothing would stop them until they reached the plateau 3,500ft. below. The leader, unnamed, but presumably Mr. Mallory, moving himself and warned only by the sounds behind, struck the pick of his axe into the snow, hitched the rope round the head of it, and man, axe, and rope held up the three who were slipping; Mr. Mallory seems to think well of the rope.

**GIRL GOLF WONDER.**

An outstanding competitor at the autumn open meeting of the Hayling Ladies' Golf Club was Miss Joan Marshall, the 16-year-old daughter of F. H. Marshall the well-known lawn tennis player. She secured first prize in the Bronze Division open medal round, first prize in the Bronze Division (members), the Bryans Cup for the best net score, the Autumn Challenge Cup (bogey) and second prize in the Eclectic Bogey Competition.

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W. F. SIMMONS,

For and on behalf of  
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Hongkong, 5th Nov. 1923.

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THE Annual General Meeting

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Matheson & Company (Jardine's

Building, Top Floor) on THURSDAY,

November, 22nd, at 5.30

P.M.

Business.

1. Presentation of Report &

Accounts for the year ending

October, 31st, 1923.

2. Any other S.P.C.A. business

that may be brought before

the meeting.

3. Election of Officers and

General Committee for the

ensuing year.

At the conclusion of this meet-

ing, an Extraordinary General

Meeting will be held to consider

proposals to amend Nos. 4, 5 & 9

of the Society's Rules as follows:

Rule 4. — Heading and Side note,

for "Officers," substitute

"Personnel." After "Mem-

bers" in the last line, insert

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Rule 5. — Heading for "Constitu-

tion," substitute "Manage-

ment." Line 2 after "Com-

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That the Transfer Book in respect of Shares will be closed from December 2nd, to December 15th, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
**TIENMU K. LIN,**  
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Hongkong, Nov. 15th, 1923.

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**French Society's Award To Siccawei Director.**

The Rev. Pere Louis Froc, director of Siccawei Observatory, has been awarded the Henri d'Orleans medal by the French Societe de Geographie Commerciale for his valuable meteorological work, especially regarding typhoons and similar phenomena typical of the China Sea, during his connection of more than a quarter of a century with the Observatory.

The news of this award will be hailed with much satisfaction by everyone cognizant of the work of Observatory, of which the Rev. Pere Froc is head, says the *Shanghai Times*. It can safely be said that without the Observatory and its prompt, accurate and reliable service of weather information based on profound study and patient observation, shipping in these waters would be extremely hazardous. The comparative security of sea communications in face of the terrible menace of typhoons, can largely be attributed to the work of the Observatory, whose watch and guard is incessant.

A graceful tribute is paid to the labours of the director in a French newspaper bringing the news to Shanghai. M. Louis Raveuon draws attention to the value of the Rev. Pere Froc's own studies in connection with typhoons—studies which have gained for him the international fame of an accepted authority.

**MONUMENTAL WORKS.**

More than a quarter of a century has passed since the Rev. Pere Froc took over the work initiated by Pere Chevalier of studying the laws governing the winter storms, which continually assail China, and the summer typhoons which menace the seas. His study of the main tracks of typhoons (1896) resulted in the publication of two memoirs on the 'Atmosphere of the Far East,' published in English and translated into French in the Hydrographic Annals in 1901. The French naval hydrographic service republished the work in 1901, in an enlarged edition. In the meantime the Rev. Pere Froc resumed his 25 years' observations in his excellent Atlas of Typhoons, 1920.

Thanks to this patient research, Siccawei Observatory is able to extend, and give greater precision to the weather service, in connection with the Philippines Observatory, founded by Jesuits from Marseilles, Hongkong Observatory, and other stations in the Far East. When France decided to provide a station in Indo-China the Rev. Pere Froc was consulted, and the result was the establishment of Phu-Lien station, which for the past 20 years has received messages from Siccawei, and whose work has been complicated by the person of M. Cadet, the director.

Concluding, the writer compliments the recipient and says the award points to the esteem in which he and the Observatory are held in France. "All this work which augments the resources of pure science has a practically incalculable importance, for who can estimate what a huge saving in human life and material riches has been effected by accurate weather predictions in the China seas?"

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### BIRTH.

ABLONG—At 14 B. Orient Buildings, Kowloon, on November 22nd, to Mr. & Mrs. A. E. Ablong, a son.

### DEATH.

XAVIER. At his residence No. 2, Prince's Terrace, (Shelley Street), on November 22nd, Vireato Maria Francisco Xavier. Aged 56 years. Deeply regretted. Funeral will pass the Monument at 3.15 p.m.

## The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 23rd Nov., 1923.

### THE TENANTS' PLIGHT.

Some six months ago, when commenting on the hardships imposed on tenants who were compelled to give up possession of their homes because of intended demolition of the premises, we ventured to predict that many of these people would, in seeking new homes, not only have to pay more rent but would find that the tendency thenceforward would be all in the direction of further increases. That prophecy is, unhappily, coming true. The case of many of the former tenants of Bellisio Terrace will amply establish this point. We are informed by those actually concerned that, following their eviction from the houses named, they were, for the greater part, forced to go across to Kowloon to find accommodation and that, as compared with the amounts they previously paid in rent, their cost of living under this head, to say nothing of ferry and motor-bus fares, has doubled and, in some instances, actually trebled. What is even worse, some of them are now receiving fresh demands for further increases. At the moment, we will not quote actual figures, reserving these for future use, but the statement we have just made is sufficient to indicate the gravity of the position in which these people now find themselves. Many of them, we are informed, are being driven into purely Chinese flats at Yau-mat, where the amenities of life are not at all what they should be.

If we ponder what all this means to the average hard-working Portuguese family man, we shall get some idea of the desperate plight in which members of a highly-esteemed section of the community, essential to the business life of the Colony, find themselves today. They are the victims of harsh economic laws, and, inasmuch as they have been forced into new property, they can

secure neither security of tenure nor protection from excessive rentals. What is true of these Portuguese residents is likewise true, to a greater or lesser extent, of all sections of the community. We direct the attention of the authorities to this matter because it is of vital importance to everybody affected. It may or may not be further to strengthen the Rens Ordinance, but at least there can be no question of repealing that enactment in the near future. We only wish it were possible to prevent further demolition of occupied property which is in good habitable condition. Wealthy Chinese speculators buy up old houses for the express purpose of pulling them down and erecting, on the sites, premises to which the Ordinance cannot apply. Then the rent-racking commences. And the victims become the poor tenants. The worst of it is that much of this "new" property is, compared with the old, cheap, nasty and jerry-built. If this is "development," then we should be better off without it.

### Rifle-Shooting.

It was a pleasure to note the keenness displayed yesterday at the shooting contest at Volunteer Headquarters. There were more than fifty men soon gathered together, and after allowing for unfamiliarity with the rifles used and the lighting, the standard attained by most competitors was very good indeed. This miniature range meets a long-felt want, and will enable the large number of Volunteers who obtain occasional, spasmodic, and therefore almost useless practice, to put in several evenings a month either keeping up to the mark or improving their present form. These facilities for practice should be a great stimulant to those who can shoot to try and reach an even higher standard, so that Hongkong can maintain its position ahead of all comers in interport rifle-shooting. Also, we expect the revived interest in shooting will also give something of a fillip to recruiting for the Defence Corps, which requires many more members. Incidentally, there is still time for hesitators to join and put in the requisite number of annual parades for efficiency. A while ago there was further discussion about the formation of a local Rifle Club or Association open to all who desire to practice one of the few sports, if not the only one, of value as a training for times of emergency, and we are glad to be able to state that this idea is still being kept alive. Next Sunday we believe there is to be a shoot at Tai-koo range, at which an opportunity for practice will be given several men who have not had more than one shoot in a whole year! This is a state of affairs that we hope will finally pass from the Colony, and that before long.

### France's Modification.

It is interesting to read today of the French modification of attitude at the Ambassadors' Conference, directly it became apparent that the other Allies were not going to agree to further territorial sanctions. It makes one hopeful of a day coming when the authorities in France will realise, as the other victors have either done or are doing, that the Great War has been a "wash-out" so far as obtaining full reparations is concerned. Huge sacrifices were made, and mostly for nothing in the way of compensation. One cannot get blood out of a stone, and Germany is that stone. If one crushes a stone with the hope of squeezing something out of it, it crumbles. Germany is crumbling, and it were well to realise, even at this late date, that even a bare stone might be more useful than a lot of nasty, irritating dust. To carry the analogy further, the Allies would be well advised not to raise a dust in Central Europe. Britain has been the first to drop out of the useless bullying of an originally mulish, and now very nearly desperate, nation. Italy has not been slow in recognising the wisdom of a temporary period of concession to the beaten foe, and now Belgium is beginning to fall in line. France, we trust, will fully realise the necessity for maintaining Allied unity in this as in other things.

### DAY BY DAY.

THE SUREST, QUICKEST AND BEST WAY TO DISRUPT BUSINESS IS TO PUT A FEW PERSONAL FRIENDS AND RELATIVES ON THE PAY-ROLL.—*Coleman Cor.*

The Hongkong St. George's Society ball is to be held on Friday, January 4th.

Capt R. Neville, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, returned from Saigon by the French mail steamer Chambord to-day.

"There were 8,721 people vaccinated yesterday. Have you been done?" So read a notice in English and Chinese outside the Central Market, one of the vaccinating stations, a proof of both the campaigners' enterprise and successful results.

There were eighteen further Chinese cases of plague notified yesterday, as well as one British case of cholera (imported), one Chinese case of enteric (imported), one Indian occurrence of paratyphoid fever and one Chinese case of puerperal fever.

For carrying 38 passengers when he was only licensed to take 18, the master of the motor-boat Leung 1 was fined \$50, with the option of one month, by Comdr. Beckwith, at the Marine Court, this morning. Two previous convictions were proved.

A Kaifeng telegram to the Daily Bulletin states:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, who arrived here yesterday from Lo-yang, paid calls on the Civil and Military Governors, after which he proceeded immediately to Chenchow by special train. It is believed that Sir Robert Ho Tung is now en route to Peking.

The action for damages between the Indo China S. N. Co. and the s.s. Montrose, as a sequel to a collision between the Yuen Sang and the Montrose in Manila harbour during a typhoon in 1920, ended yesterday, the Chief Justice, who conducted the case with Comdr. Beckwith (Assessor), reserving his decision.

Tam Wing was found guilty of larceny at the Criminal Sessions, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, yesterday, and was sentenced to three years' hard labour. The little fourteen-year-old boy responsible for accused's arrest was complimented on his plucky action, the Judge telling him that he was a very brave boy.

A carpenter was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday from Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co.'s shipyard, suffering from a cut wound in the back of the head. It has been reported to the Police that a quarrel took place between the man and an apprentice, leading, it is said, to assault. The apprentice is being detained by the police pending consideration of a charge.

Amongst the cases mentioned in the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, this morning, was an action between S. C. Fank and Mrs. B. Thompson, the claim being for \$500, money lent. Mr. C. H. Lyson represented plaintiff and Mr. Layman appeared for defendant. Mr. Layman intimated that his client was prepared to consent to judgment, with terms. His Honour put the case into chambers to discuss terms.

Some of the owners of houses in the immediate vicinity of the operations now being carried out in connection with the dynamiting of the hulk of the Loongsang are concerned over the effects which, they state, are being produced on their property by the shock of these discharges. A number of these owners met this morning to discuss the draft of a combined letter asking that those responsible for the breaking up of the wreck reduce the charges to a minimum consistent with the safety of the houses near by.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will contain a portrait of Col. Hill, the Colony's new golf Champion, as well as two snapshots of the actual play in the final and another of Col. Hill and Mr. Buckland, the runner-up. Other pictures will be a group of the R.A.O.C. team which won the Hongkong Garrison Tennis League, a photograph of the Hongkong interport rifle team with shield, and, last but not least, a fine picture showing Hongkong leading in the "Eight's" at the recent interport rowing contest in Shanghai.

### VOLUNTEERS' RANGE.

#### OPENING CEREMONY BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Edward Stubbs, performed the opening ceremony at the new miniature range at Volunteer Headquarters yesterday evening. Sir Edward in a short speech expressed his pleasure at being able to officiate at the ceremony, and then fired the first shot. He stayed for about half an hour afterwards, watching the Corps members firing in the prize contest and at the pool targets. There was a good attendance of Volunteers, and some keen competition.

There were three silver cups as prizes, suitably inscribed, and presented for the occasion by the Commandant, Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., who was present at the shoot.

There was some erratic shooting, owing to competitors not being quite used to the conditions, or perhaps it was just "nerves," but on the whole quite a good standard was put up. Early on, Mr. R. J. Goodman scored 39 out of the possible 55, and was closely followed by Mr. C. Young with 36. The higher scores were principally in the 20's after this, but towards seven o'clock in the evening 30's were being registered. Owing to the large number of fliers, the competition did not end until a fairly late hour. It was towards the close that some of the best shooting was recorded, Mr. F. C. Goodman scoring 46, and two others equalling the previously leading score of 39.

The contest was a good one for picking the all-round shot, being five rounds application and five shots each at a disappearing target and a "running man." Many who were brilliant at one type of target failed at the other.

#### THE BEST SCORES.

Eventually Mr. F. C. Goodman proved the winner of the first prize, with his excellent 46 unchanged. Three competitors will have to shoot off for second and third place, all having scored 39. They are Mr. R. J. Goodman, Mr. N. L. Raiton, and Regimental Sergeant-Major Westlake. The range, which is a 25 or 30 yards one, as required, is in a partly underground room 110 feet long, built to one side of Volunteer Headquarters. Point 22 ammunition is used, but as the rifles are Service type and targets are practically the same as on the ordinary range, except for the absence of "kick" in the weapons. There are twenty-three electric lights for use at night, including four of 200 candlepower over the targets. Ceiling fans, skylights and a ventilation device have also been fitted. Members of the Defence Corps will now have ample opportunity for rifle-shooting practice, and a long-felt want has been met.

#### HAVE DIAMONDS A "NATIVE HUE"?

#### Gems Change in Beauty in Different Countries.

Do diamonds change in beauty according to the light of the country in which they are shown? That this is the case was alleged in the course of a case, involving a dispute over a diamond ring, which was decided in the King's Bench Division recently. Experts consulted by a Press representative agreed with the view that many gems, and more particularly diamonds, are very sensitive to the climate of the country in which they are exhibited.

In a bright, clear light, refraction is more perfect than in a dull light," said one expert. "England is a very cloudy country, and the light is softer than in many other climates. In a sharp, dry atmosphere gems certainly look more brilliant. "Pearls are very subject to the influence of light. They are always seen to advantage in a brilliant light, and many pearls which look dull by day look quite brilliant at night."

A Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal has been awarded by His Excellency the Governor to Pte. R. Rapsley, Reserve Company of the Volunteer Defence Corps.

Telegraphic advice has just been received to the effect that silk shipped per s.s. President Jefferson, which sailed from this port at 10 a.m. on October 25, arrived in New York at 1 a.m. on October 19, having been 24 calendar days and 15 hours in transit.

### JAPANESE NAVAL SQUADRON HERE.

#### PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT.

To-day Hongkong began its entertainment of the midshipmen and crews of the Japanese Naval Training Squadron, which came into port early this morning. The usual salutes were exchanged between the Port and the ships, and at 10.15 the Japanese Admiral in charge of the squadron made his official landing at Blake Pier. He was accorded a guard of honour, furnished by the 2nd Battalion King's Regiment, the band of the battalion being also on parade. The Admiral was met by the Governor's A.D.C. (Capt. Neville, R.M.L.L.) and later proceeded to Government House to pay the formal calls.

At 10.30 a large number of midshipmen landed, half of them being taken to the Peak by the Peak Tram and the other half proceeding on a trip round the island in the Hongkong Hotel motor buses. A number of British naval officers accompanied the visitors and refreshments were served at the Peak and Repulse Bay hotels. This afternoon the parties changed over, those who visited the Peak this morning being taken round the island, and vice versa.

This evening the Commander of the Squadron, his three Captains and several staff officers, as well as several leading members of the Japanese community in Hongkong, are to be the guests of the Japanese Consul General.

To-morrow the cadets are to inspect the Dockyards at Kowloon and Tai-koo, whilst for Sunday a large programme has been arranged. For the sailors a cinema show is being provided at the World Theatre for 750 men in the afternoon. Each sailor as he enters will receive a packet of cigarettes. On the same day a sports meeting has been arranged by the Japanese community, this being held under the auspices of the Japanese Primary School. In the evening the naval officers of the Squadron are to be entertained by the Japanese community in Hongkong to a Chinese banquet at West Point.

During the week-end it is hoped to arrange several games of baseball between teams selected from the various crews of the squadron.

#### TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

A block of new business buildings in Regent-street runs to nine floors. Another new block in the neighbourhood has only seven. Six appears to be the number of storeys more generally favoured by London architects. Opinions may differ as to the style of some of the new premises, and the floodgates of correspondence on "Higher buildings for London" are easily opened. But there may be agreement on this point, that all the premises represent a conscientious desire to provide something which, adequately utilizing costly sites, contributes to the architectural amenities of important streets. In every case careful consideration has been given to such matters as lighting, heating, and privacy for the individual tenants if the blocks are divided.

Lord Denman, Mr. Bruce, and Dean Inge took the principal parts in a ceremony in St. Paul's peculiarly interesting to Western Australia. The first handed over to the Dean and Chapter a prelate's throne provided for the Chapel of St. Michael and St. George as a memorial to Lord Forrest, who was a Knight Grand Cross and the first Australian peer. Mr. Bruce said Lord Forrest's name would always be associated with two great feats of engineering. One was the provision of a water supply Coolgardie goldmines across to the three or four hundred miles of country—a project which had considerable opposition at the outset on the ground that it was impossible of accomplishment. The other scheme was the construction of a railway linking the east of Australia with the west, thus bringing home to the people of the continent that they were all one, and not merely a collection of separate States. Dean Inge accepted the throne as "worthily commemorating a great man."



AT THE SHANGHAI RACES.



Two snapshots taken at the recent Shanghai Race Meeting.

DEVELOPMENTS IN WIRELESS.

Fewer "Piracies" Nowaday.

When the wireless "pirate" was recently assured that he would be forgiven his unlicensed activities if he would but repent—this repentance to take the form of acquiring a 15s. licence—he began to disclose himself in amazing numbers. Up to date some 180,000 interim licences have been taken out, and possibly that figure does not exhaust the whole of the users of wireless sets. But at least it indicates to what extent the new hobby of listening-in, to say nothing of the experimental side, has developed. The movement has now definitely passed the stage when it was merely a novelty. Those who in the early stages came into it expecting too much have either been weeded out or have developed real enthusiasm, and the net result is that wireless, a comprehensive if not an exact term, has definitely established itself. It is, after all, something more than a hobby or even a scientific amusement, and it has yet far to go, for no one with any knowledge of it will dispute the statement that wireless is yet only in its infancy.

To this definite settlement on a higher plane than that of a mere novelty there have been contributory causes in the way of technical advance and of improved broadcasting programmes. Technical advance relates to aerials, to constructional details generally, and they have gone so far that the use of an installation is now possible with dry cells. The delicate details that relate to transmission have undergone improvement with the rest, so goes to show that the movement that it is now possible to hear is not only established, but grows apparently necessary for this purpose is a stout spirit that will keep one up until the small hours of the morning, at which time one can tune in for the United States. All this means added interest; the listener-in can rove not merely over the British stations, but over those of the Continent as well. He gets a wider choice of programme.

He also gets better programmes. It is perhaps too much to say that the various broadcasting stations have got over their experimental period, but it is at least certain that they have a much better idea to-day than some months ago of what the listeners-in want. More over, now that the "pirates" have come in, or at least the big bulk of them, the financial side of the business is better established, and the quality of the programme can now be better related to it. There is not the feeling, too, that outsiders, that is, unlicensed owners of installations, are getting the broadcasting concerns for nothing.

IMPROVED PROGRAMMES. What has happened of late under the provisions of the new licence will doubtless bring about

THE TURKISH REPUBLIC.

Powers of The President.

A Constantinople message says the principal points in Mustafa Kemal Pasha's proposals accepted by the People's Party are as follows: The form of Government of the Turkish State shall be a Republic, the official language Turkish, and the religion Islam. The President of the Republic shall be elected by Deputies and the mandate shall run for four years. The President, who is eligible for re-election, shall be the chief of the State, entitled to preside over meetings of the Council of Minister and National Assembly. He shall nominate the President of the Council of Commissioners who will select their own colleagues. The President shall submit the list of Commissioners for the approval of the Assembly.

programmes still further improved. They had already begun to improve if only because the broadcasting side of the business became alive to the fact that they had to please their clients. It was a business proposition, and they applied themselves to it as such. It is also something more than a business proposition. The listener-in, ranging say, over the whole of the British stations, takes the one with the programme that most appeals to him. In one sense it does not matter to him which particular station it is; it costs him no more, but it sets up a healthy competition among all those stations, which is reflected in the quality of the broadcasted matter.

The experience of the trade also improves with the rest, so goes to show that the movement that it is now possible to hear is not only established, but grows apparently necessary for this purpose is a stout spirit that will keep one up until the small hours of the morning, at which time one can tune in for the United States. All this means added interest; the listener-in can rove not merely over the British stations, but over those of the Continent as well. He gets a wider choice of programme.

SECRETS.

Their Different Type.

It has been said that laws are made to be broken, but a too general acceptance of that view may lead to embarrassment. The ladies, if nobody else, could say that secrets are made to be broken, and they are certainly held cheaply often enough, by either sex. Nevertheless there are a number of secrets which are kept with wonderful success. A great many crafts and trades and not a few professions are sustained by secrecy. The conjurer, or the more grandiose modern product the illusionist, relies to a tremendous extent on his confederates not giving the game away, and it is imaginable that those who divulge tricks such as, for instance, "sawing through a woman" will not become popular in their profession, to say the least of it. In times when the principles of Machiavelli were employed there was little need to wonder at secrecy, but one never hears of a person being murdered for the sake of keeping the composition or manufacture of a patent medicine a mystery.

Novelists weave violent tales around inventors of new weapons, and no doubt such institutions as the Admiralty must be numbered among those who can keep secrets if need be. A source of mystery to the general public is the cult of the Freemasons. Books which, in vulgar parlance, give away the whole show, are plentiful but somehow or other nobody believes these "exposures," though they can give no reason for not doing so. Commercial secrecy has been given some publicity lately, owing to test cases connected with the banking business, but it is not a very real quantity. Political secrets are many. One well kept one is the precise nature of the ultimate intentions of the Indian extremists for the wire-pullers include men of brains and are not all asses enough to think that they will make headway and come to final victory by the methods which they advocate openly. Again there is the secret covered by the whole of that matter which is labelled "confidential." There is one way of keeping that close, and that is to let every kranidigest it to his heart's content, by which time he will be convinced it is the most perfunctory of routine, rubbish and unworthy of being retailed. But the most humorous and, when genuine, most rare secret is the racing stable whisper.—*Runyon Times*.

SIR A. PEARSON'S FIRST WIFE.

Dispute Over Annuity On Dissolution of Marriage.

References to the first marriage of the late Sir C. Arthur Pearson were made during the hearing of a summons before Mr. Justice Russell in Chancery Division recently. Sir Arthur first married Miss Bennett, the marriage being dissolved in 1897. Sir Arthur then agreeing to grant her annuity not exceeding £2,000. The first wife, now Mme. Isabel Sarah Durandau, of the Villa Aida, Nice, applied to have it ascertained how the annuity is to be paid. Mr. P. M. Walters, for Mme. Durandau, said the deed of covenant provided that she should receive a sum not exceeding £2,000 a year, which shall be equal to one-fifth of the income which the petitioner (Sir Arthur) shall have derived during the preceding year from the shares he holds in C. Arthur Pearson, Limited.

Mr. C. A. Bennett, K.C., for Lady Pearson, said Mme. Durandau was only entitled to a fifth of the income from the shares in the year preceding Sir Arthur's death—£867. Mr. Justice Russell asked if she would be prepared to accept a definite sum as her annuity, say £1,000. The summons was adjourned for communication with Mme. Durandau, who is now in France.

FAKE PLATINUM.

"Hundreds of people are wearing ornaments which they think are platinum, but which are really made of 'white gold,' an almost worthless alloy," said a jewellery expert to the Wood-green magistrate recently. "White gold," added a second expert, is made of gold, nickel and copper.

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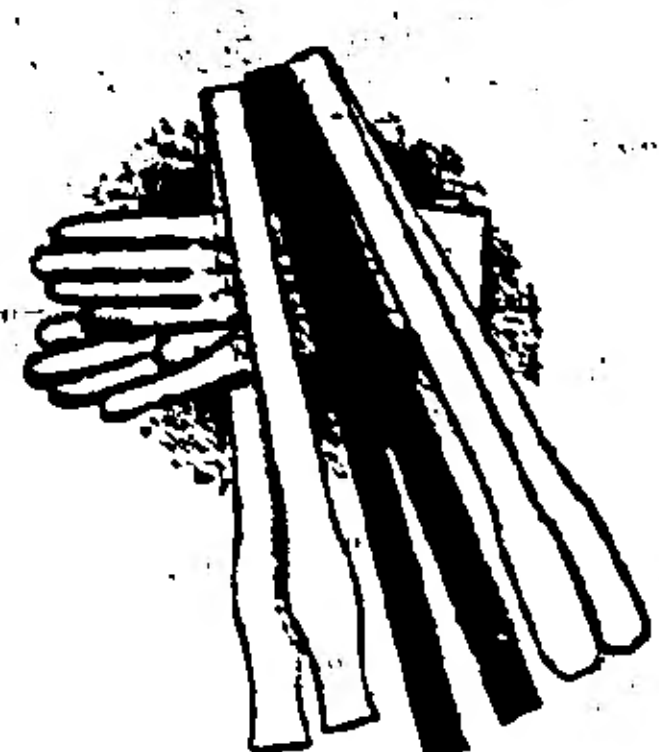
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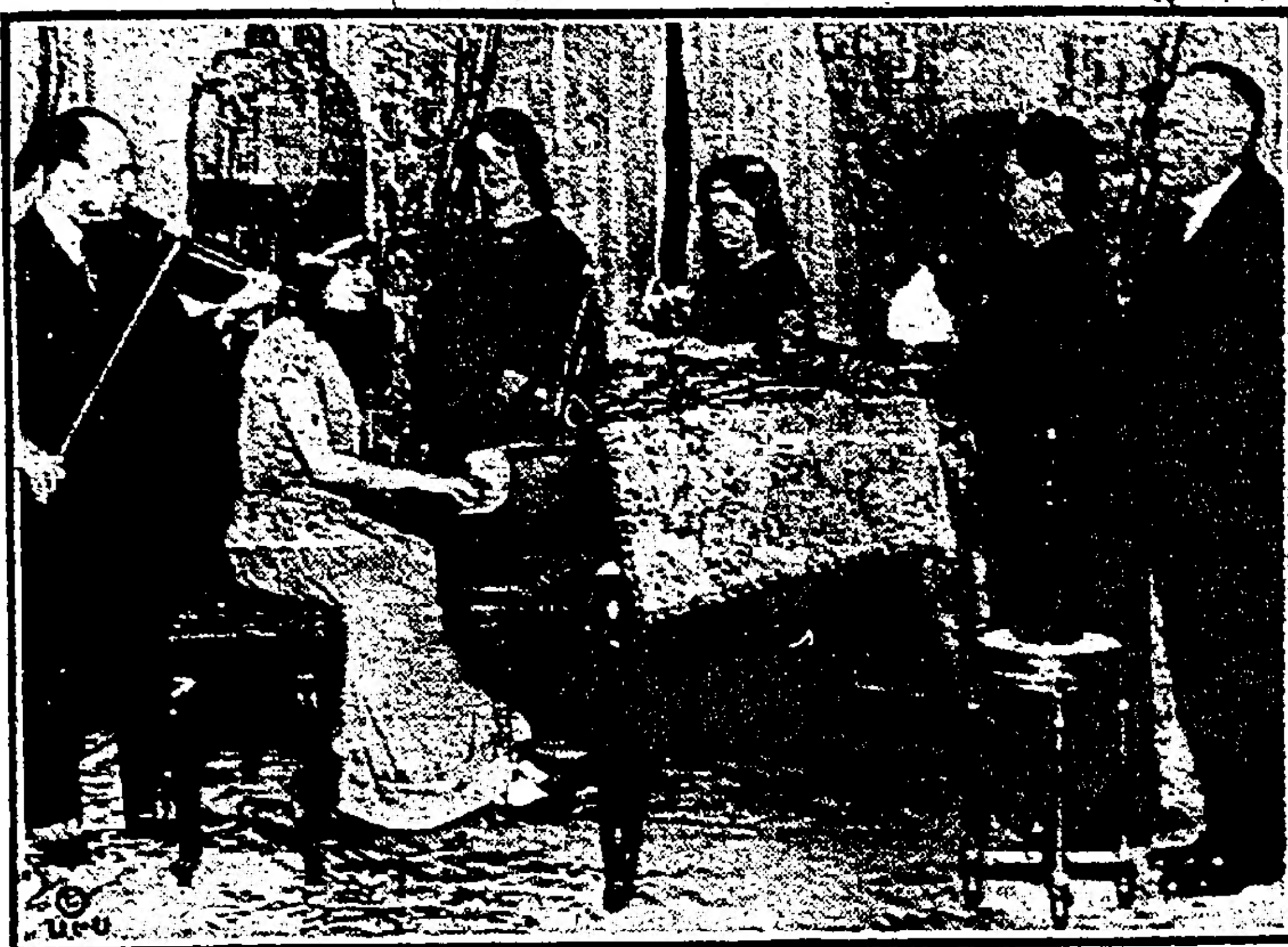
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Allister McCormick married John Tyndale Steven in Paris recently. Photo shows the bridal couple leaving the City Hall in the French metropolis.



General Von Seeckt is chief of staff of the Army of the German Republic. He is showing here reviewing the government troops.



Machine gun pointing right into the entrance of Oklahoma City's police station.



This is the first photo to reach this country from London of the wedding of Lady Evelyn Herbert, daughter of the late Lord Carnarvon, who was present at the opening of the tomb of Tut-ankh-Amen, and Brograve Beauchamp. The present Lord Carnarvon gave his sister away. Photo shows bride and groom.



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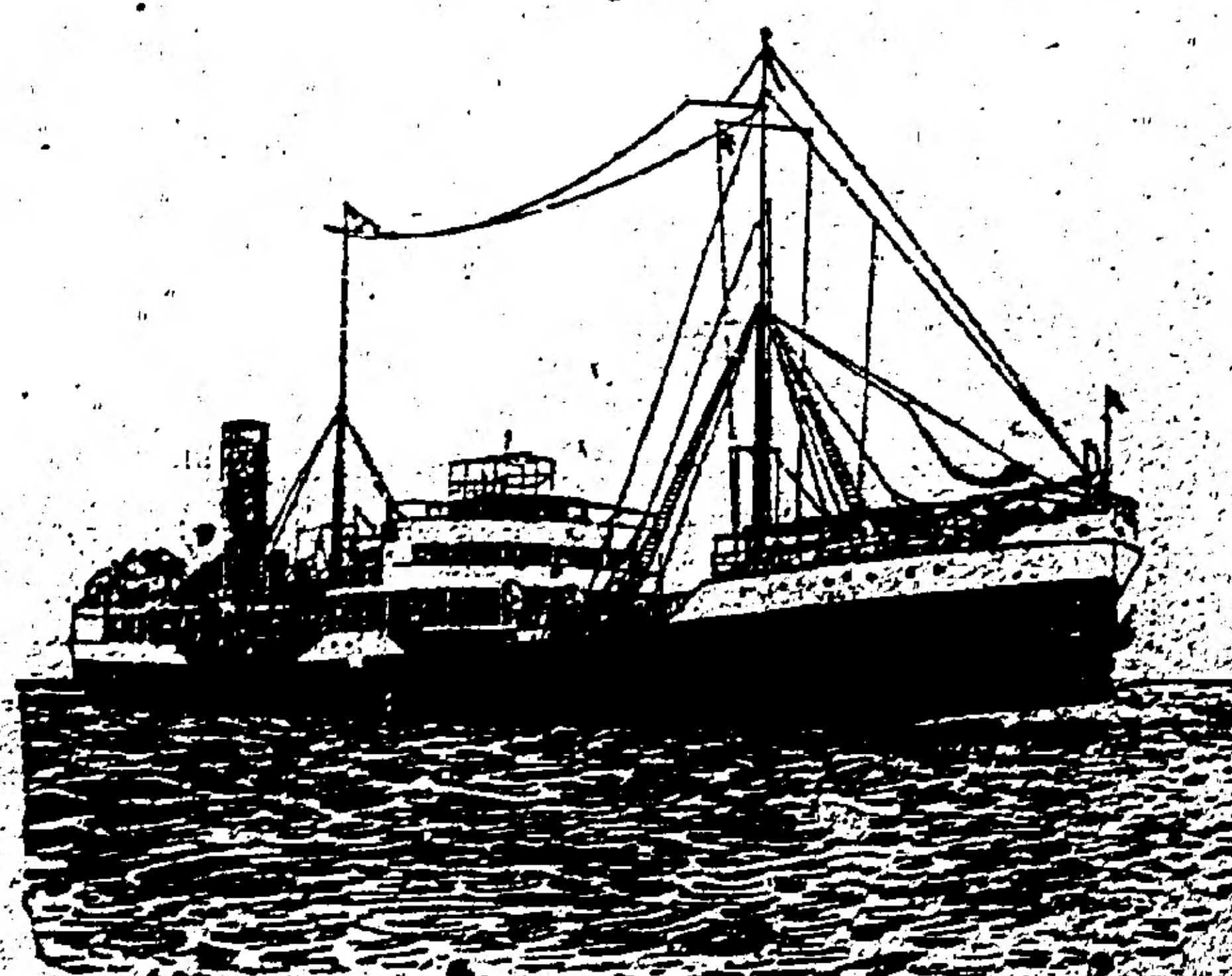
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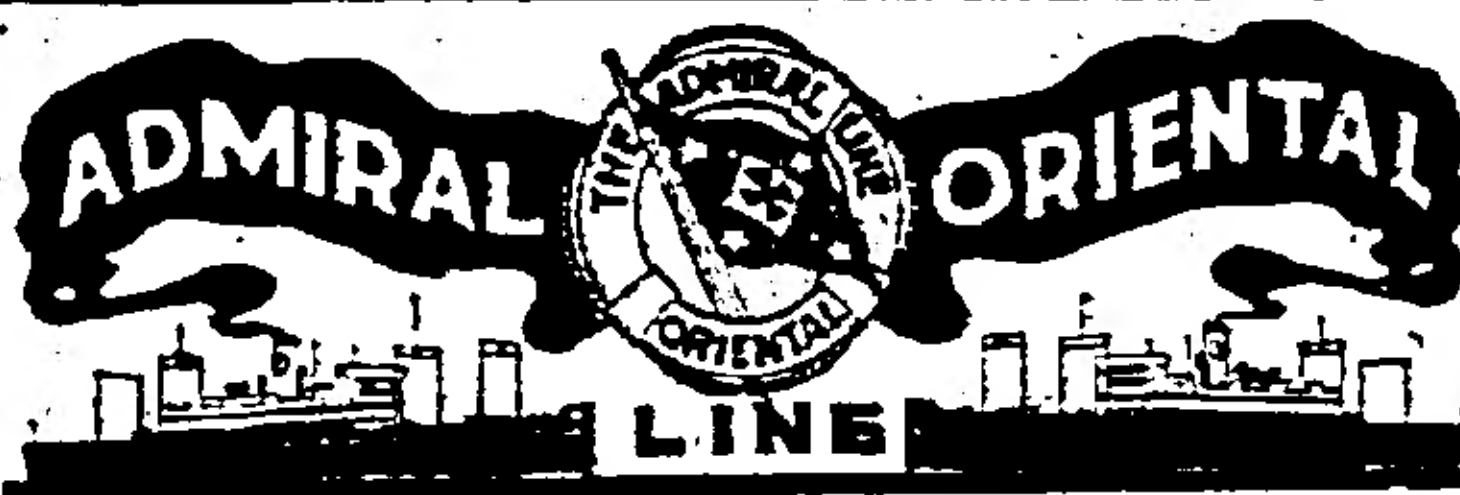
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**ALLEGED LIBEL.**

Aga Khan Sues the "Times."

An action for alleged libel brought by the Aga Khan and his trainer R. Dawson against the Times Publishing Company last month came before the Court of Appeal, upon an appeal of the defendants from an order of Mr. Justice Acton reversing the order of the Master of Rolls and that plaintiff the Aga Khan should be examined before a special examiner previous to leaving for France and India. Appellant's counsel said the alleged libel appeared in the Times in June and July last concerning two fillies owned by the Aga Khan named Teresina and Pabla. These fillies ran in the Coronation Stakes at Ascot. The Aga Khan's first colours were white, red and

the second on Pabla. The second colours won easily by one and a half lengths. Counsel submitted that the ordinary course should not be taken and if the Aga Khan wished to give evidence as doubtless he did, he should give it in open court at the trial of the action. Counsel for respondents said the alleged libels were very serious and were to the effect that the Aga Khan and his trainer were guilty of what was known in racing circles as "in and out running."

The position of the Aga Khan was entirely different from that of Dawson. He thought it was unlikely anyone would be likely to say that the Aga Khan was guilty, but the trainer was in a different position. The present action, to him, was one of professional life or death and he was going to take proceedings.

Appeal on both motions was allowed.

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Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Wednesday, 28th Nov. 1923.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown, where same will be examined on Wednesday 28th Nov. 1923, at 11 a.m.

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T/T. Japan	104 1/2	T/T. Calcutta	163 1/2
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Hongkong 50 cent pieces	5 1/2 p.m.
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Hongkong November 23, 1923.

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Nmas Letter & Parcel Mails for Canada & U.S.A. will be closed in the G.P.O. on the 25th inst. at the following times:  
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Ordinary .. 5.00 p.m.  
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From	Per	Due
Saigon	Chambord	23rd Nov.
Shanghai	Lucbow	24th "
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London 25th Oct.	Nyasa M.	24th "
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U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Riba	25th "
London 25th Oct.		25th "

## OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Haiphong	Kashio	Sat. 24 inst. 5 a.m.
Hobow & Haiphong	Porabang	Sat. 24 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Manila	Suzan	Sat. 24 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Straits	Yan Guevara	Sat. 24 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Taka M.	Sat. 24 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Swatow	Loeban M.	Sat. 24 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Batavia, Pampang & Soerabaya	Bandong M.	Sat. 24 inst. 1.30 p.m.
Manila	Aja	Sat. 24 inst. 5 p.m.
Port Bayard, Hobow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hazon	Sat. 24 inst. 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Daanakhodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Nyama	Sat. 24 inst.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 25th Dec.)	
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Amakusa M.	Sun. 25 inst. 9 a.m.
Amoy	Thyong	Sun. 25 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Meinan	Sun. 25 inst. 9 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Hanzang	Sun. 25 inst. 9 a.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Kwasent	Mon. 26 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Suidzoku M.	Mon. 26 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangas	Mon. 26 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Saigon		
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Daanakhodi, Adeu, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Parthos	Mon. 26 inst.
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 25th Dec.)	
Shanghai	Wosang	Mon. 26 inst. 5 p.m.
Amoy	Lucbow	Tues. 27 inst. 8.30 a.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Kiang	Tues. 27 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via D'Kodi, & Bombay	Wakusa M.	Tues. 27 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hachio	Tues. 27 inst. noon.
Swatow	Kwongang	Tues. 27 inst. 5 p.m.
Hobow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Yannu	Wed. 28 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Manila	Taming	Wed. 28 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Hobow & Bangkok	Chussang	Tues. 28 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Parce's for Canada only 25th 5 p.m.	
	Empress of Russia, Thurs. 29 inst.	
	Registration 9.15 a.m.	
	Letters 10 a.m.	
	(Due Vancouver 15th Dec.)	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Parce's 3.30 p.m.	
	Thurs. 29 inst.	
	Registration 4.15 p.m.	
	Letters 5 p.m.	
	(Due Victoria B.C. 15th Dec.)	
	Ship sails at 10 a.m. 30th Nov.	
	Letters 10 a.m.	
	(Due Victoria B.C. 15th Dec.)	
Java via Soerabaya	Tjralas	Fri. 30 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Daanakhodi, Adeu, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kalyan	Fri. 30 inst.
	Registration 4.15 p.m.	
	Letters 5 p.m.	
	(Due Marseilles 25th Dec.)	
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Haiphong	Sat. 1 inst. 9 p.m.
Manila	Jackson	Mon. 3 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Soubo M.	Tues. 4 inst. 5 p.m.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Nov. 23d 18h. 25m. Warning to Hongkong Coast Ports, &c.: Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity, within 60 miles of Lat. 20° N. Long. 122° E. moving N.E.  
Nov. 23d. 12h. 10m.—Warning to Hongkong Coast Ports, &c.: Depression or typhoon in Lat. 20° N. Long. 125° E. flying up; position uncertain.  
Nov. 23d. 12h. 12m.—Pressure has increased moderately at Vladivostok and slightly at the majority of other reporting stations.  
The typhoon appears to be filling up in about Lat. 20° N. and Long. 125° E.  
Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.  
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.594 inches since January 1st, 106.41 inches, against an average of 81.69 inches.

## FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
1 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong.
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks	
3 H'kong to Cap Rock	N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	

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Hongkong, Nov. 23.

## WARNING TO NAVAL NON-SWIMMERS.

Admiral Sir Sydney Fremantle, Commander-in-Chief at Ports-moor, has issued a stringent order on the question of swimming in the Navy. There are still 1,594 non-swimmers in the port, a state of affairs which is discreditable, adds the Admiral.

## EASTERN ASTUTENESS.

## The Cleverness of the Chinese.

A few days ago Dr. MacGillivray sent us a charming letter describing how he had found a group of tram labourers gathered, in their luncheon hour, about a man who was reading to them a novel of the Ming period; also of a street watchmen engrossed in a table of a Buddhist priest and his many adventures, comments the *North China Daily News*. And commenting on this evidence of the delight of common Chinese workmen, not in modern saws and Bolshevik instances, but in "the wonderful story of their own wonderful country," Dr. MacGillivray wished that the word "coolie" were not so deeply embedded in the Shanghai vocabulary, bearing as it does the taint of race contempt. Many of us must often have wished that too. But so long as upper class Chinese continue to think, if not to speak, of their humbler fellow-nationals as "the stupid people," the foreigner is not wholly to blame. Surely no phrase could be less appropriate to the Chinese, whether of high or low degree. Among all the characteristics with which we try to label them, only to find that every quality ascribed is no more true of them than its exact opposite, there can at least be no disputing their marvellous cleverness. We may pass over exceptional cases like that of a Chinese professor of English literature in Edinburgh, for such as these might be paralleled in any nation, the late Mr. Cornaby, for example, who could have taught the Chinese classics to a Hanlin. It is the little ordinary every-day folk whose intelligence is so startling. Every foreign newspaper in China produced by linotype is a daily monument to it. Rarely does the operator understand more than a word or two of what he is setting up. A couple of years ago he was probably a raw hand, with as little education in his own as in any other language. Yet there are Chinese operators who can set up copy almost as quickly and accurately as Westerners; and they are but one class of the many different skilled artisans required for the making of a newspaper, while from every industry similar instances could be quoted of the Chinese workman's teachableness, compared with his limitations are hardly to be mentioned. Or take the ordinary Chinese servant. Consider his deft management of master's peculiar and exotic garments and, in contrast with the simplicity of his own rice bowl and chopsticks, the numerous and confusing implements and drinking vessels which master must have at meal-time.

## WORLD FAMOUS COOKS.

As for Chinese cooks, their ability is famous, nor does it seem to matter much to them whether the cooking is done in one of Mr. Bian's Capuan villas or Bubbling Well on a chop-choy at the tail of a houseboat. We can all abuse the cook and boy and throw up our hands over their manifold shortcomings and perennial deterioration. But the plain fact is that they spoil us and that if ever we "retire" to the ministrations of rustic and anything but neat-handed Phyllis or the execrable cookery of suburban Blowzilda, we shall miss them sorely.

The reverse side of Chinese cleverness is obvious in the state of China to-day. Perceiving that their country has somehow fallen behind in the international race for supremacy and convinced that they can beat the foreigner at his own game, they find the secret of his success in his political institutions and believe that if they can transplant these to their own soil, they will be able to make as much noise in the world as he does. The fallacy of this reasoning lies in the different meaning of progress in East and West. Why should the East wish to take anything from the West, except, perhaps, some medical and hygienic knowledge? The West has added to its creature comforts, but at the expense of much nervous strain and an infinite amount of grumbling and physical affliction when those comforts are unobtainable. In "The New Republic" Mr. Saunders apprehends that the generation which travels at sixty miles an hour is at least ten times as advanced as that which travels only six, and is rightly convicted of error by his opponent in the discussion. "The indifference of Chinese to personal inconvenience,

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